

merce; and Representatives Vanik, Bingham, Drinan, and McDonald.

Joint Committee Meetings

NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Committee approved for reporting with amendments H.R. 15419, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 so as to provide for additional control over the proliferation of nuclear explosives.

TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 3149, to protect human health and the environment by requiring testing and necessary use restrictions on certain chemical substances.

PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 15194, making appropriations through fiscal year 1977 for public works employment programs.

LABOR-HEW APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 14232, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare for fiscal year 1977, but did not reach final agreement thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

PUBLIC WORKS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2228, authorizing funds to extend through fiscal year 1979 the Public Works and Economic Development Act of 1965, but did not reach final agreement thereon and recessed subject to call.

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Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Three bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3818-3820; S.J. Res. 212; and S. Res. 546-548.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 13549, to provide for additional sources of in-

come for the United States Soldiers' and Airmen's Home, with an amendment (S. Rept. 94-1238);

S. 2440, to require that imported tomatoes conform to packing standards imposed on domestic tomatoes under marketing orders (S. Rept. 94-1239); and

S. Res. 548, requesting an additional \$5,000 for expenses of Committee on Armed Services (without written report) (referred to Committee on Rules and Administration).

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Measures Passed:

Illegal Corporate Payments: By unanimous vote of 86 yeas, Senate passed without amendment and sent to the House S. 3664, to require issuers of registered securities to keep accurate records, and to prohibit the payment of overseas bribes by any U.S. business concern, after rejecting, by 29 yeas to 58 nays, Church amendment No. 2292, designed to supplement and strengthen certain sections of the bill.

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Emergency Locator Transmitters: Senate passed and returned to the House H.R. 8228, to permit the temporary operation of certain aircraft without emergency locator transmitters, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof Senate companion bill, S. 910, as reported.

S. 910 was then indefinitely postponed.

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Military Construction Authorizations: By 82 yeas to 2 nays, Senate passed and returned to the House H.R. 14846, authorizing funds for fiscal year 1977 for construction at certain military installations, after agreeing to committee amendments en bloc.

By 65 yeas to 19 nays, Senate tabled McIntyre unprinted amendment No. 461, to prohibit State taxation of persons who work in a Federal enclave in such State and who are residents of another State which has no income tax.

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S. 3730, Senate companion bill, was then indefinitely postponed.

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Bill Referred: H.R. 13958, Defense Officer Personnel Management Act, was referred to Committee on Armed Services.

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Bill Held at the Desk: H.R. 15319, to amend the habeas corpus rules, was ordered to be held at the desk.

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Message From the House: One message was received from the House.

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Amendments Submitted for Printing:

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Subjects on the Table: The following measures were removed from "General Orders" section of the Calendar and placed in "Subjects on the Table":

S. 2035 and H.R. 8401, uranium enrichment program;
S. 3422, natural gas supplies;
S. 713, deep seabed resources;

S. 2387, vertical divestiture of petroleum companies;
 S. Res. 495, relating to Senate consideration of H.R. 10138, to establish Young Adult Conservation Corps;
 S. 1624, to promote the free flow of wine in interstate commerce;

S. Res. 68, to amend Senate rules with regard to germaneness of amendments;

S. 2837, Carbon County, Wyoming, land right-of-way;

S. 2715, awarding attorney fees for participation in Federal agency proceedings;

H.R. 10138, to establish a Young Adult Conservation Corps;

S. 3737, authorizing funds for Indian education;

S. Res. 476, relating to sanitation facilities for agricultural field workers;

H.R. 6852, a private claim bill; and

S. Res. 512, relating to Senate consideration of S. 3737, authorizing funds for Indian education.

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Farm Products: Senate agreed to the conference report on H.R. 10339, authorizing the Secretary of Agriculture to provide information and technical assistance to encourage the direct marketing of farm products from farmer to consumer, thus clearing the measure for action of the House.

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Second Congressional Budget Resolution: Senate agreed to conference report (filed in disagreement) on S. Con. Res. 139, revising the congressional budget for the Federal Government for fiscal year 1977. By 66 yeas to 20 nays, Senate agreed to motion to recede from its disagreement to the House amendment, and concurred therein with an amendment (Muskie unprinted amendment No. 460), thus clearing the measure for further action of the House.

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Education: Senate disagreed to the House amendments to S. 2657, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1982 for vocational and higher education programs, agreed to conference with the House and appointed as conferees Senators Pell, Randolph, Williams, Kennedy, Mondale, Eagleton, Cranston, Hathaway, Beall, Javits, Schweiker, Stafford, and Taft.

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Water Pollution Control: Senate insisted upon its amendment to the House amendments to S. 2710, authorizing funds for certain programs under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, agreed to conference with the House and appointed as conferees Senators Randolph, Muskie, Burdick, Culver, Hart of Colorado, Buckley, Baker, and Stafford.

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Smith College: Senate laid down for further consideration tomorrow H.R. 1386, a private bill.

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Committee Authority To Sit: Certain committees were authorized to sit during sessions of the Senate this week and next week.

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Tariff: By unanimous consent it was agreed that on Thursday, September 23, it will be in order for the Leadership to call up H.R. 11321, to suspend until July 1, 1978, duty on certain elbow prosthesis if imported for charitable therapeutic use or for free distribution by certain public or private nonprofit institutions, with time limitation for debate thereon of 30 minutes; 1 hour on an amendment which may be offered by Senator Buckley; with no other amendments to be in order.

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Presidential Message: Senate received a message from the President transmitting Annual Report of the Department of Transportation covering its activities for fiscal year 1975—referred to Committee on Commerce.

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Treaties Approved: By unanimous vote of 88 yeas, two-thirds of the Senators present and voting having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to resolutions of ratification of the following four treaties:

Customs Convention on Containers, 1972, and the International Convention for Safe Containers (Ex. X, 93d Cong., 1st sess.);

Agreement on the Conservation of Polar Bears (Ex. I, 94th Cong., 1st sess.);

Convention for the Conservation of Antarctic Seals, with Annex (Ex. K, 94th Cong., 1st sess.); and

Protocol amending the Interim Convention on Conservation of North Pacific Fur Seals (Ex. M, 94th Cong., 2d sess.).

By 71 yeas to 17 nays, two-thirds of the Senate present and voting having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to resolution of ratification of Fifth International Tin Agreement (Ex. J, 94th Cong., 2d sess.).

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Confirmations: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Julius L. Katz, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Secretary of State;

Davis Eugene Boster, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to Guatemala;

Francois M. Dickman, of Wyoming, to be Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates;

T. Frank Crigler, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Rwanda;

Charles A. James, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger;

Walter J. Stoessel, Jr., of California, to be Ambassador to Germany;

Patricia M. Byrne, of Ohio, to be Ambassador to Mali;

Ronald D. Palmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Togo; and

Melissa F. Wells, of New York, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Guinea-Bissau, and to the Republic of Cape Verde.

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Nominations: Senate received the following nominations:

Jack B. Olson, of Wisconsin, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas;

The following-named persons to be Members of the Board of Directors of the National Center for Productivity and Quality of Working Life: Bess Myerson, of New York; Berkeley G. Burrell, of the District of Columbia; Wayne L. Horvitz, of the District of Columbia; Gaylord Freeman, of Illinois; Herbert S. Richey, of Ohio; Robert A. Georgine, of Maryland; J. Lane Kirkland, of the District of Columbia; and John T. Dunlop, of Massachusetts; and

Numerous nominations in the Army. Page 30459

Record Votes: Ten record votes were taken today (total—601). Pages 30425, 30426, 30431, 30433, 30443, 30453, 30457

Adjournment: Senate met at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 5:29 p.m. Page 30459

Committee Meetings

AIR FORCE BASE MOVE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Construction held hearings to receive testimony on a proposal by the Air Force to relocate the Communications Service at Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base, Missouri, to Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Witnesses heard were Representatives Bolling, Randall, and Winn; Thomas C. Reed, Secretary of the Air Force, who was accompanied by his associates; Robert McDowell, Deputy Director of Tactical Operations, AFCS, Richards-Gebaur Air Force Base; Gordon T. Gould, IBM, Kansas City; Michael White, Jackson County, Missouri; Donald Ong, Kansas City, Mo.; and Thomas Kilbride, Area Director, Kansas City Missouri, Office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION AND TAXATION

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported with amendments H.R. 10210, to require the States to extend unemployment compensation coverage to certain previously uncovered workers; and H.R. 7929, relating to the deduction of interest on certain corporate indebtedness to acquire stock or assets of another corporation.

DEFENSE COOPERATION AGREEMENT

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee held hearings on S.J. Res. 204, authorizing the President to implement an agreement with the Government of Turkey relative to defense cooperation, receiving testimony from

Philip C. Habib, Under Secretary for Political Affairs, accompanied by U.S. Ambassador to Turkey William B. Macomber, Jr., and Arthur Hartman, Assistant Secretary for European Affairs, all of the Department of State; and Robert F. Ellsworth, Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs.

Also, committee, in closed session, received an intelligence briefing on this matter, following which it recessed subject to call.

GRUMMAN CORPORATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Multinational Corporations resumed hearings to receive testimony on the sale of F-14 type aircraft to Iran by Grumman Aerospace Corporation in the years 1972-1974 and on allegations concerning solicited Presidential campaign contributions. Witnesses heard were Richard V. Allen, Arlington, Virginia; John C. Bierwirth and John F. Carr, Grumman Corporation, Bethpage, New York.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

NOMINATION

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee began hearings on the nomination of Ronald S. Berman, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities, where the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Harry F. Byrd, Jr. testified and answered questions on his own behalf.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

WATER RESOURCES

Committee on Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill authorizing funds for river and harbor projects of the Army Corps of Engineers for fiscal year 1978 and for several succeeding years.

FEDERAL PROGRAM REVIEW

Committee on Rules and Administration: Committee considered further S. 2925, to require the termination and reauthorization over a 5-year cycle, of any Federal program requiring reauthorization or new budget authority, and agreed to report this measure to the Senate without recommendation.

COMMITTEE SYSTEM

Temporary Select Committee To Study Senate Committees: Committee continued hearings on problems of fragmented committee jurisdictions and multiple committee and subcommittee assignments of Senators, receiving testimony from Senators Gravel and Stennis; James Cubie, Congress Watch, and Jeffrey Knight, Friends of the Earth, both of Washington, D.C.

Also, committee began consideration of a proposal to deal with the Senate committee jurisdictional problem, but did not complete action thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 15566-15582; 2 private bills, H.R. 15583 and 15584; and 15 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1096-1098, H. Con. Res. 749 and 750, and H. Res. 1541-1550 were introduced.

Pages 30462, 30556-30557

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 10645; 11809, amended, both private bills (H. Repts. 94-1551 and 94-1552, respectively);

H.R. 14535, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act, amended (H. Rept. 94-1553);

H.R. 4580, to amend the Organic Act of Guam to provide for the reorganization of the judicial system of Guam, amended (H. Rept. 94-1554);

Conference report on H.R. 14232, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare, and Related Agencies (H. Rept. 94-1555);

Conference report on H.R. 13035, Sea Grant Program Improvement Act of 1976 (H. Rept. 94-1556);

H. Res. 1545, providing for the consideration of H.R. 12112, to provide additional assistance to the Energy Research and Development Administration for the advancement of nonnuclear energy, research, development, and demonstration (H. Rept. 94-1557);

H.R. 15460, to allow the awarding of attorney's fees in certain civil rights cases (H. Rept. 94-1558);

Conference report on H.R. 14238, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977 (H. Rept. 94-1559);

H.R. 4345, to amend the Act entitled "An Act to authorize the sale of certain public lands in Alaska for use as a mission school", approved August 8, 1953, amended (H. Rept. 94-1560);

H.R. 13101, to provide for consideration of the comparative productive potential of irrigable lands in determining nonexcess acreage under Federal reclamation laws, amended (H. Rept. 94-1561);

H.R. 15446, to designate certain lands as wilderness, amended (H. Rept. 94-1562);

H.J. Res. 915, to authorize the placement of the bell known as the American Legion's Freedom Bell in the District of Columbia on the land of the national park system, amended (H. Rept. 94-1563);

H. Res. 1548, providing for the consideration of H.R. 14932, Rail Amendments (H. Rept. 94-1564);

H. Res. 1549, providing for the consideration of H.R. 15377, Export Administration Act (H. Rept. 94-1565);

H. Res. 1540, to create a Select Committee on Assassinations (H. Rept. 94-1566); and

H. Res. 1550, providing for the consideration of S. 22, Copyright Law Revision (H. Rept. 94-1567).

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Late Reports: Conferees received permission to file a conference report by midnight tonight on H.R. 14238, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977; and

Committee on Rules received permission to file certain privileged reports by midnight tonight.

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Meeting Hour: By unanimous consent, the House will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, September 16.

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Committee Election: Agreed to H. Res. 1541, electing Representative Pattison of New York as a member of the Committee on House Administration. Page 30462

Presidential Message: Received and read a message from the President wherein he transmits the annual report of the Department of Transportation—referred to the Committees on Public Works and Transportation, Interstate and Foreign Commerce, and Merchant Marine and Fisheries and ordered printed with illustrations (H. Doc. 94-612).

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Committees To Sit: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct and the Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Finance of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce received permission to sit today during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule.

Pages 30463-30464

Clean Air: By a yea-and-nay vote of 324 yeas to 68 nays with 1 voting "present", the House passed H.R. 10498, Clean Air Act Amendments of 1976.

By a yea-and-nay vote of 117 yeas to 272 nays with 1 voting "present", rejected a motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce with instructions to report it back forthwith containing sundry amendments previously rejected in the Committee of the Whole.

Agreed to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute as amended by:

An amendment that freezes present auto emission standards through 1979, reduces the levels during 1980-81 to the current California standards, and requires the full 90 percent reduction for carbon monoxide and hydrocarbons beginning in 1982, with nitrogen oxide standards to be established by EPA (agreed to by a recorded vote of 224 ayes to 169 noes with 1 voting "present").

Rejected an amendment in the nature of a substitute to the previous amendment that sought to require the full 90 percent reduction of the three major pollutants in 1981 and require, in the interim, the nationwide implementation of the 1976 and 1977 California standards (rejected by a recorded vote of 75 ayes to 313 noes).

Agreed To:

An amendment that requires the Administrator of EPA to establish acceptable carbon monoxide levels for the interior of school buses and other sustained use vehicles and requires DOT to insure compliance. Previ-

ously, a point of order was overruled against this amendment;

An amendment that limits EPA's authority to use the Clean Air Act to deny sewage treatment grants made under the Water Pollution Control Act;

An amendment that delays for 2 years the implementation of Stage II vapor recovery regulations for independent gasoline marketers until the FTC can make an economic analysis of their impact;

An amendment that allows dealers in high altitude areas to adjust emission controls for some emissions to provide for more effective emission controls;

An amendment that requires the Task Force on Environmental Cancer and Heart and Lung Disease to include in its research program the consideration of the impact of personal health habits, including tobacco smoking. Previously, a point of order was overruled against this amendment;

An amendment as amended by an amendment in the nature of a substitute (substitute agreed to by a recorded vote of 231 ayes to 156 noes) that allows EPA to represent itself in civil actions in courts of original jurisdiction, but reserves Justice Department control of appellate litigation;

An amendment that permits Congress to disapprove in whole or in part any rule or regulation change made pursuant to the Clean Air Act; and

An amendment that improves accounting by the EPA of actions taken to protect the public health and safety during periods of high pollution to enable the oversight committees of Congress to examine how efficiently EPA exercises its authority.

Rejected:

A motion to strike the enacting clause;

An amendment that sought to strike language requiring annual inspections to test the efficiency of pollution control devices of light-duty vehicles in 29 air quality control regions; and

An amendment that sought to require new regulations to limit the pollutants emitted by supersonic aircraft.

An amendment was offered but subsequently withdrawn that sought to prohibit the use of tolls on bridges located entirely within New York City as part of an applicable implementation plan.

Objection was heard to a request to consider a similar Senate bill, S. 3219, and pass said bill in lieu of H.R. 10498, after being amended to contain the language of the House bill as passed.

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Committee To Sit: Subcommittee on Energy Research, Development and Demonstration (Fossil Fuels) of the Committee on Science and Technology received permission to sit during proceedings of the House under the 5-minute rule on Thursday, September 16.

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Public Safety Officers: By a yea-and-nay vote of 290 yeas to 71 nays, the House agreed to the conference re-

port on H.R. 366, Public Safety Officers' Benefits Act of 1976—clearing the measure for Senate action.

Pages 30518-30523

Labor-HEW Appropriations: By unanimous consent, it was made in order to consider on Thursday, September 16, the conference report on H.R. 14232, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare and Related Agencies. Earlier, objection was heard to a request to consider the conference report on Friday, September 17.

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Forest Management: After consuming 1½ hours of general debate on H.R. 15069, to amend the Forest and Rangeland Renewable Resources Planning Act of 1974, the Committee of the Whole rose.

Thirty minutes of general debate time remain when consideration resumes tomorrow.

H. Res. 1534, the rule under which the bill was considered, was agreed to earlier by a yea-and-nay vote of 335 yeas.

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Referrals: Three Senate-passed measures were referred to the appropriate House committees.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense held a hearing on supplemental request—typhoon damage in Guam.

XM-1 TANK PROGRAM

Committee on Armed Services: XM-1 Tank Panel continued hearings into the delay in the XM-1 Tank Program. Testimony was heard from Under Secretary of the Army Augustine; and Robert N. Parker, Principal Deputy Director, Defense Research and Engineering.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FOREIGN PALM OIL DEVELOPMENT LOANS

Committee on Banking, Currency, and Housing: Subcommittee on International Development Institutions and Finance held a hearing on resolutions relating to foreign palm oil development loans. Testimony was heard from Representatives Poage, de la Garza, Moore, and Mathis; and Seymour Johnson, American Soybean Association. Statements for the record were submitted by Representatives Andrews of N. Dak., Burleson of Texas, Fuqua, Grassley, Jenrette, McAllister, and Findley.

ST. ELIZABETHS HOSPITAL

Committee on the District of Columbia: Continued review of draft legislation establishing an independent corporation with exclusive authority over St. Elizabeths

Hospital. Testimony was heard from Joseph Yeldell, Director, D.C. Department of Human Resources; Dr. James Dickson, Deputy Assistant Secretary, HEW; representatives of D.C. Mental Health Administration; National Institute of Mental Health; St. Elizabeths Hospital; and various community groups and other health organizations.

ENFORCEMENT OF TRUTH IN LENDING ACT

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Commerce, Consumer, and Monetary Affairs held a hearing on the enforcement of the Truth in Lending Act by Federal banking agencies. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

CONSULTANT CONTRACTS

Committee on House Administration: Subcommittee on Contracts met and reviewed consultant contracts.

INTERIOR MISCELLANY

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Met and ordered reported favorably to the House the following bills:

H.R. 7682 amended, relating to the disposition of certain recreational demonstration project lands by the State of Oklahoma;

H.R. 9126 amended, to authorize the establishment of the Eugene O'Neill National Historic Site;

H.R. 15558, amended, to authorize the study of certain areas by the Secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior; and

H.R. 15563, to amend the Act of July 9, 1965.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Organizations held a hearing on human rights in the Philippines. Testimony was heard from Tom Jones, Amnesty International Mission to the Philippines.

FRANCHISING PRACTICES REFORM ACT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection and Finance began consideration of H.R. 8349, Franchising Practices Reform Act, and will resume tomorrow.

JUDICIARY MISCELLANY

Committee on the Judiciary: Met and ordered reported favorably to the House the following bills:

S. 1283 as amended, to improve judicial machinery by further defining the jurisdiction of United States magistrates;

H.R. 4580 as amended, to amend the Organic Act of Guam to provide for the reorganization of the judicial system of Guam;

H.R. 15531, to permit the use of unsworn declarations under penalty of perjury in Federal proceedings;

H.R. 15552, Act for the Prevention and Punishment of Crimes Against Internationally Protected Persons; and
Acted on a private claims bill.

S. 287 was considered but no action was taken.

INTERMODAL TRANSPORTATION

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Merchant Marine held a hearing on H.R. 1080, to facilitate intermodal transportation. Testimony was heard from Department of Justice; Federal Maritime Commission; and public witnesses.

FIRE MANAGEMENT

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Subcommittee on Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation and the Environment held a hearing on fire management and the National Wildlife Refuge System. Testimony was heard from Department and public witnesses.

1980 CENSUS

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Census and Population held a hearing on place of residence for 1980 Census. Testimony was heard from Robert Hagen, Bureau of the Census.

PROBLEMS FACING PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

Select Committee on Professional Sports: Continued hearings on the problems facing professional sports and the Federal laws under which they operate. Testimony was heard from Leonard F. Chapman, Jr., Commissioner, Immigration and Naturalization Service; Ben Burdetsky, Department of Labor; Leonard F. Walentynowicz, Department of State; John S. Irving, and John Higgins, National Labor Relations Board.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

RAIL AMENDMENTS

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing 2 hours of general debate; waiving section 401(b) of P.L. 93-344; providing that after passage of H.R. 14932, the House shall consider the bill S. 3131, section 401(b) of the Congressional Budget Act to the contrary notwithstanding and making it in order to strike out all after the enacting clause of S. 3131 and insert in lieu thereof as one amendment in the nature of a substitute the texts of the bills H.R. 13601 and H.R. 14932 as passed by the House, Rail Amendments of 1976.

SYNTHETIC FUELS LOAN GUARANTEES

Committee on Rules: Granted a modified rule providing 4 hours of general debate with the time to be divided between and controlled by the chairmen and ranking minority members of the Committees on Science and Technology, Ways and Means, Banking, Currency and Housing, and Interstate and Foreign Commerce; providing for the consideration of the amendment printed in the Record of August 26, 1976, on pages H9179-84

by Representative Teague in lieu of the committee amendments printed in the bill, said amendment to be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and waiving points of order against the amendment for failure to comply with clause 7, Rule XVI (germaneness); providing for the consideration of the amendment printed in the bill by the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce; if offered as a substitute for section 1 of the Teague amendment; waiving points of order against said amendment under clause 7, Rule XVI, and providing that it shall be considered prior to consideration of perfecting amendments to section 1 of Teague amendment; permitting only amendments printed in the Record at least one legislative day prior to the offering thereof, except pro forma amendments; and prohibiting amendments to section 2 of the Teague amendment unless offered by the Committee on Ways and Means.

SELECT COMMITTEE ON ASSASSINATIONS

Committee on Rules: Ordered reported favorably to the House H. Res. 1540, to create a Select Committee on Assassinations.

COPYRIGHT LAW REVISION

Committee on Rules: Granted a modified rule providing one hour of general debate; waiving section 402(a) of the Budget Act, making the committee substitute in order as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and providing that no amendment shall be in order except germane amendments printed in the Congressional Record at least three calendar days prior to the start of the consideration of said bill for amendment, but said amendments shall not be subject to amendment except those offered by direction of the Committee on the Judiciary, on S. 22, Copyright Law revision. Testimony was heard from Representatives Kastenmeier and Railsback.

EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted an open rule providing one hour of general debate and amending Senate bill with House-passed language on H.R. 15377, extending the Export Administration Act. Testimony was heard from Chairman Morgan and Representatives Zablocki, Rosenthal, du Pont, Bingham, McCormack, and Findley.

ERDA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Rules: Granted a rule amending Senate amendment to H.R. 13350 with the text of two House-passed bills (H.R. 13350 and H.R. 13676) to facilitate conference. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hechler of W. Va., McCormack, Thornton, Ottinger,

Dingell, and Mosher. A statement for the record was submitted by Chairman Teague.

SURFACE MINING CONTROL AND RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Held a hearing but motion to report a rule failed on H.R. 13950, Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1976. Testimony was heard from Representatives Udall, Mink, Seiberling, Beville, Melcher, Hechler of W. Va., Skubitz, Steiger, and Wampler. A statement for the record was submitted by Representative Slack.

NASA AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Aviation and Transportation R & D continued hearings on NASA authorization for fiscal year 1978. Testimony was heard from representatives of American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics; Boeing Commercial Airplane Company; Douglas Aircraft Company; and Pratt & Whitney Aircraft.

NASA PROGRAM REVIEW

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Space Science and Applications continued hearings on NASA program review for 1978 authorization. Testimony was heard from Dr. John E. Naugle, Associate Administrator, NASA; and Robert E. Smylie, Acting Associate Administrator, Office of Aeronautics and Space Technology, NASA.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

FTC FUNERAL REGULATIONS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Activities of Regulatory Agencies held a hearing on Federal Trade Commission funeral regulations with testimony from FTC witnesses.

INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE REPORT LEAK

Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Continued hearings on the unauthorized publication of the Select Committee on Intelligence report. Testimony was heard from CBS correspondent Daniel Schorr; Clay S. Felker, President, New York Magazine Co., Inc., Aaron Latham, senior editor; and Sheldon Zalaznick, editorial director, New York.

MEDICARE PHYSICIAN REIMBURSEMENT

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on physician reimbursement under the medicare program. Testimony was heard from Representatives Symington and Thornton, and public witnesses.

Joint Committee Meetings

REGIONAL ECONOMIC PROBLEMS

Joint Economic Committee: Urban Affairs Subcommittee held hearings to receive testimony on the relationship between regional economic problems and national economic policy from Alan Greenspan, Chairman, Council of Economic Advisers.

Hearings were recessed subject to call.

LABOR-HEW APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 14232, making appropriations for the Departments of Labor and Health, Education, and Welfare for fiscal year 1977. As agreed to by the *Conferees*, the language of amendment No. 68 would read "None of the funds contained in this Act shall be used to perform abortions except where the life of the mother would be endangered if the fetus were carried to term."

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 14238, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for fiscal year 1977.

NATIONAL RESOURCE LANDS

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 507, to provide for the management, protection, and development of the national resource lands, but did not complete action thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

EDUCATION

Conferees continued to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 2657, authorizing funds through fiscal year 1982 for vocational and higher education programs, but did not reach final agreement thereon and will meet again tomorrow.

APPROPRIATIONS—FOREIGN ASSISTANCE

Conferees met to resolve the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H.R. 14260, making appropriations for foreign assistance programs for fiscal year 1977, but did not reach final agreement thereon and recessed subject to call.

Thursday, September 16, 1976

Senate

Chamber Action

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Bills Introduced: Six bills and six resolutions were

introduced as follows: S. 3821–3826; S.J. Res. 213–214; and S. Res. 549–552.

Pages 30647, 30656–30659, 30751–30752

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

H.R. 12961, to repeal provision under Title XIX of the Social Security Act which requires that a State waive immunity from litigation with respect to suits concerning medicaid payments for inpatient services, with an amendment (S. Rept. 94-1240);

S.J. Res. 173, requesting the President to proclaim the period September 26–October 2, 1976, as National Port Week (S. Rept. 94-1241);

S.J. Res. 214, to require the Secretary of Agriculture to dispose of surplus peanuts at competitive market prices (S. Rept. 94-1242);

S. 969, to extend from 36 to 45 months basic eligibility period for GI bill educational assistance benefits, with an amendment (S. Rept. 94-1243);

H.R. 589, to provide relief to the Santa Ynez River Water Conservation District, California, as a result of delivery of water to Santa Ynez Indian Reservation lands (S. Rept. 94-1244);

H.R. 11722, to prohibit practice of requiring political contribution in order to obtain or hold a job in programs where any Federal moneys are involved, with amendments (S. Rept. 94-1245);

S. 3662, to amend the Railroad Retirement Act of 1974 with respect to the computation of annuity amounts in certain cases, with an amendment (S. Rept. 94-1246) (referred to Committee on Finance);

S.J. Res. 213, to establish a temporary position of "hearing officer" for black lung cases (S. Rept. 94-1247);

H.R. 4654, a private claims bill (S. Rept. 94-1248);

H.R. 11149, to authorize the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution to acquire and dispose of property (S. Rept. 94-1249);

S.J. Res. 181, to authorize the placement of the American Legion's Freedom Bell on National Park Service land in the District of Columbia, with amendments (S. Rept. 94-1250);

S. Res. 535, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of S. 3441, authorizing the Architect of the Capitol to maintain (for 2 years) certain historical sections of the Congressional Cemetery, Washington, D.C., and to provide a study with a view to its permanent maintenance (S. Rept. 94-1251);

S. Res. 546, waiving section 402(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 with respect to the consideration of S. 3800, to provide for reimbursement for losses sustained by persons injured by certain criminal acts (S. Rept. 94-1252);

H.R. 10073, to provide for the mandatory inspection of domesticated rabbits slaughtered for human consumption (S. Rept. 94-1253);